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BEFORE THE
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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MILLENNIUM 2000, INC.,)
Applicant,)
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Application for)
designation as a wireless) No. 12-0375
eligible)
telecommunications carrier)
for purposes of receiving)
federal universal service)
support pursuant to)
Section 214(E)(2) of the)
Telecommunications Act of)
1996,)

Chicago, Illinois
January 24, 2013

Met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11:33 a.m.,
in Conference Room S-801, 160 North LaSalle Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

BEFORE:
Mr. John T. Riley, Administrative Law Judge

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None.

1 JUDGE RILEY: Pursuant to the direction of the
2 Illinois Commerce Commission, I call Docket 12-0375.
3 This is an application by Millennium 2000, Inc., for
4 designation as a wireless eligible telecommunications
5 carrier for purposes of receiving federal universal
6 service support pursuant to section 214(E)(2) of the
7 Telecommunications Act of 1996.

8 Mr. Rowland, you're here on behalf of
9 the applicant?

10 MR. ROWLAND: Yes, I am. Thank you, your
11 Honor. On behalf of Millennium 2000, Inc., Thomas
12 Rowland of the law firm of Rowland & Moore, 200 West
13 Superior Street, Suite 400, Chicago, Illinois, 60654.

14 JUDGE RILEY: Thank you.

15 And for commission staff?

16 MS. PALMER: On behalf of staff of the Illinois
17 Commerce Commission, Michael Lannon, Angelique
18 Palmer, 160 North LaSalle, Suite C-800, Chicago,
19 Illinois, 60601.

20 JUDGE RILEY: Thank you.

21 And I'm going to throw the ball to
22 staff again and say where -- what is staff's position

1 so far on this?

2 MS. PALMER: As of this morning, Judge, we took
3 a look at the status of cases. As you know, we have
4 a back log. We have also lost one staff member, the
5 other one to retirement. We have one individual
6 handling all ETC cases right now. Staffing wise, we
7 are working on that to get support. However, as of
8 this morning, the Millennium case ranks -- there's
9 about eight cases ahead of this particular case in
10 the -- in the docket that would need to be done based
11 on the sequence on which the FCC has approved the
12 plans. That's where we're at right now. Keeping
13 that in mind, staff is going to work as diligently as
14 they can and is able to provide or is looking to
15 provide responses to the initial set of DRs in mid
16 February. We are setting a date or would like to set
17 a date hopefully, Judge, for a status, to keep a rein
18 on this matter, either the week of February the 18th
19 or the 25th. By then, we hope to have initial DRs
20 sent out.

21 MR. ROWLAND: Your Honor, we've had a
22 discussion in relation to another case earlier about

1 the timing of all of this. This particular
2 application was filed a year ago -- almost a year
3 ago, not quite a year. And it's a -- for wireless
4 ETC authority. The company has had wireline
5 authority for some years and had wireline ETC
6 authority for some time. To the extent that staff
7 has questions, our concern is there's nothing
8 preventing staff from asking questions this week,
9 last week -- you know, in two weeks. We just would
10 like to get any information that they need, get it
11 out on the table, so that we can respond. We're
12 going to respond very, very quickly. So why don't we
13 go off the record for a second and -- since my client
14 is here -- and we can decide what they may want to
15 do.

16 JUDGE RILEY: Is that acceptable with staff?

17 MR. LANNON: That's fine.

18 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.

19 Let's go off the record.

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21 (There was a discussion off
22 the record.)

1 JUDGE RILEY: All right.

2 Let's go back on the -- back on the
3 record.

4 We have had a discussion with regard
5 to how we're going to proceed in this matter, and let
6 me recap the high points. Staff is going to endeavor
7 to issue the data requests by February 13 and earlier
8 if they possibly can. But logistical problems have
9 intervened upstairs, so the 13th would be the date to
10 be looked at. Anything else would be a luxury.
11 February 27 is targeted for the applicant's
12 responses, and we'll try to get them in even earlier,
13 if at all possible.

14 MR. ROWLAND: That's correct.

15 JUDGE RILEY: And then we have decided to
16 reconvene on March 12 at 10:00 a.m. for a status, and
17 we'll see where we are at that time.

18 MR. ROWLAND: Thank you, your Honor.

19 MS. PALMER: Thank you, Judge.

20 MR. LANNON: Thank you, your Honor.

21 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.

22 We're continued to March 12.

1 (WHEREUPON, the proceedings have
2 been adjourned until, March 12,
3 2013, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.)

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